IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Pankai Patel et al.

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For Materials and Methods for Manufacturing Cigarettes

Examiner John B. Edel

Art Unit 1731

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Official Action mailed June 27, 2007, in the above-identified application. This extension of time will extend the period for filing to expire on December 27, 2007.

Enclosed is a credit card authorization of a charge of \$1,050.00 for the fee for a three month extension of time. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required by this action, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-1435. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

The Office is respectfully invited to contact J. Michael Boggs at (704) 338-5141, to discuss any matter relating to this application.

Respectfully submitted.

December 27, 2007

Date

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